

# Print Pondering

Something to think about while you're waiting on your print job.

## Just the Facts

- Veterans Day started as Armistice Day on November 11, 1919 ~ the 1st Anniversary of the end of WW1.
- There were an estimated 16.5 million veterans in the US in 2021.
- 1.7 million veterans are female in the US.
- 73% of the veterans are non-Hispanic White, 8.2% Hispanic or Latino, 1.9% were Asian American, 12.3% were African American, with the remaining members (3.6%) being American Indian, Alaska Native, Native Hawaiian, other Pacific Islander or other Race.
- 24.4% of veterans are 75 years old and older, with 8.2% younger than 35 years old.
- Armistice Day became an annual observance in 1926, and it became a national holiday in 1938.



## The Case for Mediocrity

This Time article discusses an interesting concept. The author talks about how achieving a lifetime goal did not give her the satisfaction she expected, and in fact, gave her mental health issues. It explores the human drive, the American Dream, the struggles faced by many, and the question of settling for good instead of working to be great. I would be interested to hear your opinion of this article and this topic.



<https://time.com/6314076/case-for-mediocrity/>

## Scripted vs Reality TV

The writers' strike is over, however, the actors' strike is not. What this means is that the scripted television shows some folks enjoy are still on hiatus. The networks are filling the time slots with more variations on the reality TV show genre. I have to admit, I have always said I am not a Reality TV fan. But now I realize I have watched some. Not Big Brother, Survivor, The Amazing Race, etc. However, I have watched Lone Star Law, one similar set in Maine, and a show about people living on boats in Alaska or someplace like that. What are your thoughts on Reality tv?



<https://www.investopedia.com/financial-edge/0410/why-networks-love-reality-tv.aspx#>

